

# Maryland Governor's Office on Service and Volunteerism

Volunteer Generation Fund  
Grantee Meeting  
March 22, 2017  
1 p.m. – 3 p.m.



# Agenda

- Welcome & Announcements
- GOSV Overview
  - **Staff Introductions & Roles**
- Tips to Engage Seniors – Krista Gilmore
- Engaging Volunteers Virtually – Jamie Williams
- Updates from Valerie
- Outreach Announcements
- Q&A



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# Technology Check

- **To Mute your Line:** Press \*6
- **To Unmute your Line:** Press \*7
- **To Ask Questions:**
  - Use the Raise Hand Button to request opening phone lines
  - Use the Chat Box to type a message to GOSV presenters



# Roll Call!



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# Save the Following Dates:



- **Mayor and County Recognition Day for National Service, April 4**
- **Governor's Service Awards Nominations Open**  
– Early April
- **Volunteer Appreciation Night at Camden Yards**  
- April 21
- **National Volunteer Appreciation Week**  
- April 23-29
- **Atlantic Regional Training Conference - June 4-7**
- **Gov's Volunteer Appreciation Day at the State Fair – August TBD**

# GOSV Staff

- **Jeff Griffin**, *Executive Director*
- **Lola Abdulai**, *Outreach Coordinator*
- **Kerry Ose**, *Senior Program Officer*
- **Erin Green**, *Program Officer*
- **Sarah Kim**, *Grants Coordinator*
- **Deanna Dunn**, *Special Initiatives Coordinator*
- **Valerie Staats**, *National Service Training Manager*
- **Kolu Ziama**, *Student Assistant*



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# Engaging Senior Volunteers

Krista Gilmore  
Cecil County Department of  
Community Services



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# Tip #1: Ask Questions!



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# What's Your Story?

- Newly Retired?
- Part-Timer?
- Voted off the Island?
- In a Retirement Rut?



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# TELLMEMORE®

- Occupation?
- Skills, areas of expertise?
- Hobbies, interests?



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## Tip #2: Senior Age Span- 60 & Older

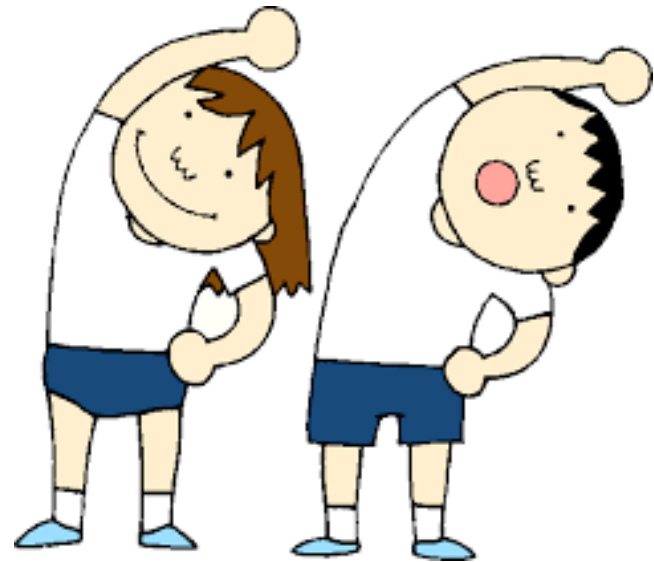


- Various characteristics and needs
- Motivation and interests differ
- One size does not fit all

# Tip #3: Respect Their Time

Let's Get Flexible!

- Offer short-term assignments
- Provide advanced notice



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# Tip #4: Be Mindful of Potential Hurdles:



- Health Issues
- Family Commitments
- Transportation



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# Tip #5: Offer Training Opportunities



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# Tip #6: Relationships Happen and Matter!

- With You
- With Staff
- With Volunteers



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# Questions? Comments?

What have other grantees observed in their interactions with senior volunteers?

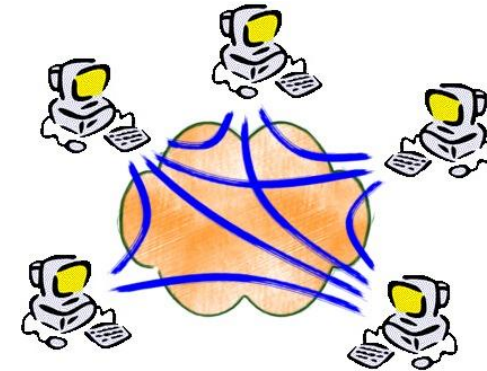
Do you have access to senior groups, potential pools of volunteers ?



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# Engaging Volunteers Virtually ...



Jamie Williams

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Allegany & Garrett Counties

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# Atlantic Regional Training Conference

June 4-7, 2017 | Baltimore

Marriott Inner Harbor Camden Yards



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# Atlantic Regional Training Conference

- Sessions for AC Program Staff, VGF Program Staff & more
- Reception, Orioles game (Tues June 6<sup>th</sup>, 7:05p), Cal Ripken, Jr. delivering Keynote, & scores of workshops/trainings
- Conference reg fee \$150 for all (\$200 after May 12)  
<http://www.nationalservicetraining.org/atlantic.html>
- Hotel \$185 + taxes/single or double (book by May 12)  
<http://globetrottermgmt.com/md/atlnatlconf2017/>

# Outreach Updates

- **Mayor and County Recognition Day for National Service, April 4**
- **Governor's Service Awards Nomination form**, opening early April
- **Volunteer Appreciation Night at Camden Yards**, 7:05 p.m. on April 21
- **Event Survey**
- **National Volunteer Week** social media campaign
- **Gov's Volunteer Appreciation Day at the State Fair**, *your ideas?*



# Thank You!

- Please complete the Post-Survey!
- Next Meeting: June 4-7,  
Baltimore City, Atlantic Regional  
Training Conference



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